Our City, Our Home Oversight Committee

Regular Meeting



CITY & COUNTY OF SAN FRANCISCO

City Services Auditor: City Performance Office of the Controller

Meeting Agenda

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Presentation and Discussion of OCOH-Related Ballot Initiatives and Legislation.
- 3. Public Comment
- 4. Approval, with possible modification, of the Minutes of the meetings on April 21, 2022, April 28, 2022, and May 6, 2022. (Action)
- 5. Resolution Making Findings to Allow Teleconferenced Meetings Under California Government Code Section 54953(e). (Action)
- 6. Presentation of the Crosswalk Between the Mayor's Proposed Budget and the Oversight Committee's Recommendations.
- 7. Work Planning Update and Opportunity to Propose Agenda Items for Subsequent Meetings, with possible action by the Committee.
- 8. Adjourn

Call to Order

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- Roll Call
- Confirmation of Quorum
- Ramaytush Ohlone Land Acknowledgement:

We acknowledge that we are on the unceded ancestral homeland of the Ramaytush Ohlone who are the original inhabitants of the San Francisco Peninsula. As the indigenous stewards of this land and in accordance with their traditions, the Ramaytush Ohlone have never ceded, lost nor forgotten their responsibilities as the caretakers of this place, as well as for all peoples who reside in their traditional territory. As guests, we recognize that we benefit from living and working on their traditional homeland. We wish to pay our respects by acknowledging the ancestors, elders and relatives of the Ramaytush Community and by affirming their sovereign rights as First Peoples.

Presentation and Discussion of OCOH-Related Ballot Initiatives and Legislation.

- Supervisor Safai's Office on the ballot initiative to create a Homelessness Oversight Commission
- Supervisor Mandelman's Office on the "Place for All" legislation
- Controller's Office on Behested Payments legislation

Behested Payments

A new law took effect on January 23, 2022 that intends to make sure that government decisions are made in a fair and impartial basis.

The law prohibits elected officials as well as other officials and employees specified in the law from soliciting behested payments from anyone who is an interested party.

Behested payments are donations or contributions made at the direction of, in cooperation with, or at the request or suggestion of public officials.

Interested party describes:

- Contractors or prospective contractors
- Anyone who has attempted to influence a Department's administrative or legislative actions.

2. OCOH-Related Initiatives and Legislation

Behested Payments

In the past, the City allowed the solicitation of funding from interested parties if it was publicly disclosed by filing required behested payments forms.

The new law bans this kind of solicitation and does away with the public disclosure filing.

There are some exceptions (e.g., fundraising appeals to large audiences).

Restricts opportunities for corruption, and hopefully builds up public trust in government.

At the same time, the law has significant implications for public-private partnerships, which are common in homelessness services.

2. OCOH-Related Initiatives and Legislation

Behested Payments

An example:

If a director at a philanthropic organization meets with a department officer and suggests piloting a program, this would qualify as an attempt to influence the legislative or administrative action of the department.

Under the law, the department must wait a year before asking for funding from the philanthropic director for **any** program.

As well, a City department cannot collaborate with an interested party on a pilot project and then jointly fund a nonprofit provider to operate the pilot.

There is a ballot initiative (or two) in development at the Board of Supervisors to adjust the parts of the law that limit cooperation across sectors, while keeping the parts of the law the curb corruption.

Public Comment on Agenda Item 2: Presentation and Discussion of OCOH-Related Ballot Initiatives and Legislation.

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Public Comment on any matter within the Committee's jurisdiction that is not on the agenda.

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Approval, with Possible Modification, of Meeting Minutes

- Special Meeting of April 21, 2022
- Regular Meeting of April 28, 2022
- Special Meeting of May 6, 2022

Public Comment on Agenda Item 4: Approval with Possible Modification of Meeting Minutes

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Resolution to allow teleconferenced meetings

The Resolution was provided to, and reviewed by Members in preparation for this meeting.

The full text of the Resolution is linked in the agenda and here.

Given the:

- Continued state of emergency due to COVID-19
- Benefits of physical distancing to control spread
- Opportunity for the public to provide comment in this virtual setting

The Committee resolves to meet exclusively by teleconferencing technology for at least the next 30 days, and to revisit this topic at the Committee's next regular meeting.

Public Comment on Agenda Item 5: Resolution making findings to allow teleconferenced meetings

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OCOH Committee Recommendation and Budget Process

- March 24: Controller's Office provided final revenue forecast
 - Departments gave an overview of budget recommendations
- April 6: Second Listening Session
- April 8-15: Liaison teams met with each other and Departments
- April 21: Liaisons presented first draft recommendations to Committee
 - Committee approved Administrative Allocation recommendations
- April 22: Third listening session gathered input on draft budget recommendations
- April 28: Committee approved Emergency Shelter & Hygiene recommendations
- May 6: Committee approved Housing, Mental Health, and Prevention recommendations
- May 10: Oversight Committee Recommendations Memo to the Mayor's Office
- June 1: Mayor's budget released
- June 10: Committee received crosswalk spreadsheet of recommendations to Mayor's budget
- June 14: Committee received OCOH Fund budget narrative from Mayor's Office
- June 15: Memo to Members of the Board of Supervisors

Administrative Allocation

- The Committee recommended the Fund Administration activities proposed by the Controller's Office. The Mayor's budget also included these activities.
- The Committee recommended increasing the Administrative Allocation by \$1.0M in each budget year to support a Community Researcher Program that engages Community Based Organizations and people with lived expertise of homelessness as central contributors to the OCOH needs assessment data collection, analysis, and communication of findings. The Mayor's budget did not incorporate this recommendation.

Adult Permanent Housing

- The OCOH Oversight Committee's recommendations and the Mayor's proposed budget align to a great extent.
- The Committee recommended the Mayor and Board of Supervisors find another funding source for PSH Equity Services. The Mayor's budget included \$16.2M over two years to lower caseloads in the City's non-OCOH Adult Permanent Supportive Housing sites.
- The Committee recommended adding Flex Pool subsidies for cis and trans women at a cost of \$4.8M over two years, ongoing (roughly 57-60 slots). The Mayor's budget did not include this program.
- The Committee's recommendations result in an unprogrammed balance of \$6.1M in FY24. This balance is fully programmed for PSH Equity Services in the Mayor's budget.

Youth Permanent Housing

- The OCOH Oversight Committee's recommendations largely align with the Mayor's proposed budget.
- The Committee recommended the Mayor and Board of Supervisors find another funding source for PSH Equity Services. The Mayor's budget included \$2M over two years to lower support services caseloads in the City's non-OCOH Youth Permanent Supportive Housing sites.
- The Committee's recommendations leave an unprogrammed balance of \$11.8M in FY23 and \$15.4M in FY24. The balance was fully programed for Housing Acquisition in the Mayor's budget.

Family Permanent Housing

- The OCOH Oversight Committee's spending recommendations largely align with the Mayor's proposed budget.
- The Committee recommended the Mayor and Board of Supervisors find another funding source for PSH Equity Services. The Mayor's budget included \$6.5M over two years to lower support services caseloads in the City's non-OCOH Family Permanent Supportive Housing sites.
- The Committee recommended increasing the existing line item for MOHCD-administered Family Housing SRO Subsidies by \$2M beginning in FY24 to allow an estimated 100 additional families to move from SROs to suitable family living accommodations. This expansion did not appear in the Mayor's budget.
- The Committee recommended adding a total of 60 Family Housing Flex Pool PSH slots for doubled up families, including undocumented and asylum-seeking families, at a cost of \$5.52M over two years. This program did not appear in the Mayor's budget.
- The Committee's recommendations leave unprogrammed balances of \$10.2M in FY23 and \$9.3M in FY24. The balance was fully programmed for Housing Acquisition in the Mayor's budget.

Mental Health Services

- The OCOH Oversight Committee's recommendations for Mental Health Services largely align with the Mayor's proposed budget, including creating a reserve of \$15.9M.
- The Committee recommended adding a Dual Diagnosis Transitional Care Therapeutic Teaching Community program with 50 slots for women in the Bayview neighborhood at a cost of \$7.1M over two years. This program did not appear in the June 1st budget.
- The Committee recommended using \$17.5M in one-time fund balance to site acquisition for Treatment Beds. The Mayor's budget reprogrammed this funding, putting \$10.6M toward continuing Tenderloin Center Operations through the end of calendar year 2022, and \$6.9M toward site acquisition of a Behavioral Health Access Center.
- The Committee's recommendations would require using an estimated \$8.2M of the reserved funds in FY24. The Mayor's budget retained the full reserve.

Homelessness Prevention & Diversion Services

- The OCOH Oversight Committee's recommendations for Homelessness Prevention & Diversion Services fully align with the Mayor's proposed budget. The Committee also prioritized two additional programs, contingent upon funding being made available in the Homelessness Prevention category.
- The Committee recommended adding a Public Benefits Advocacy program to the Targeted Homelessness Prevention Services category at a cost of \$2M over two years. This program did not appear in the Mayor's budget.
- The Committee recommended adding a Family Rapid Re-Housing Extension program to the Rental Assistance category at a cost of \$2.8M over two years.
 This program did not appear in the Mayor's budget.

Emergency Shelter & Hygiene Services

- The OCOH Oversight Committee's recommendations for Emergency Shelter and Hygiene Services largely align with the Mayor's proposed budget.
- The Committee recommended adding \$0.6M to the line item for Hotel Vouchers for Victims of Domestic Violence and \$0.6M to the line item for Hotel Vouchers for Pregnant People and Families in FY23. This program did not appear in the Mayor's budget.
- The Committee recommended reducing OCOH funding for the Shelter Beds program, "Adult/TAY Navigation Center Operations," by \$1.2M in FY23 to make funds available for hotel vouchers for victims of domestic violence, pregnant people, and families. The Mayor's budget did not incorporate this recommendation.



Our City, Our Home FY2022-23 & FY2023-24 Proposed Budget Changes

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Proposed OCOH Adjustments

∽ \$8.58 million proposed adjustment to OCOH's budget.

OCOH Adjustments	FY 2022-23 OCOH Funds	FY 2023-24 OCOH Funds	Total
50 Flexible Housing Subsidy Pool Units for cisgender women.	\$2.0	\$2.0	\$4.0
Enhance MOHCD's program to serve doubled-up families in SROs.	(\$2.0 already funded)	\$2.0	\$2.0
Extend Family Rapid Rehousing subsidies for an additional 24 months.	\$1.38	-	\$1.38
Additional hotel vouchers for families and pregnant people.	\$0.6	\$0.6	\$1.2

Proposed adjustments to FY 2023-24 OCOH budget, dollars in millions.



Public Comment on Agenda Item 6, Presentation and Discussion of the Crosswalk between the Mayor's Budget and Committee Recommendations.

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7. Workplan and Future Agenda Items

Propose agenda items for future meetings and provide Committee updates

- Staff is beginning the work planning process in conversation with the Chair
- Staff will be reaching out to Liaisons and Members to schedule conversations about work plans

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Public Comment on Agenda Item 7, Update on Work Planning and Opportunity to Propose Future Agenda Items

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Adjourn

- Motion
- Roll Call Vote

Thank you.

Questions?

Email the Committee at OCOH.CON@sfgov.org

Or, visit the Committee's website: sf.gov/ocoh